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Director's Meeting

Thursday, 6 March 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Wolf, Becker, Hedden, Earman

The Director:

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a. Referred to Tracy Barnes' request for CIA expenditures on research and Mr. Becker explained that similar requests had been made to other governmental agencies in order that the staff of the Board might form some ideas concerning its own research problems. In this connection, the Director discussed certain possible personnel changes and functions of the staff of PSB.

b. Discussed Gen. Grow's diary and noted that he had neither seen it nor the book pertaining thereto, published in East Germany. In this connection, the Director stated that someone had "fallen down" in not getting this information to him. Mr. Wisner and Mr. Earman said that to the best of their knowledge a copy of the diary had not been received. Mr. Wisner also said that, in fact, his people had been attempting to get a copy for the past three weeks and had not met with any success. The Director then called Gen. Bolling who stated he "thought" that a copy of the diary in question had been sent to us and if not he would bring one over.

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[redacted] had been instructed not to maintain diaries similar to that of Gen. Grow. *DCI has seen copy of diary and book referred to. (2) Instructions are being issued to the field that our people will not maintain diaries of any nature.*

c. In connection with the above, the Director stated that there must be a number of SO reports (including [redacted] containing information of interest to him and directed such information be extracted from these reports and furnished him. *Done.*

Mr. Dulles:

a. Noted that he had talked to Gen. Donovan who was going to Korea in the near future and that Donovan had agreed to come by and see us before he makes this trip. He also noted that in the event he did not see him in Washington he would, in all probability, see him in New York.

b. Referred to a meeting with [redacted] who is working with us on the [redacted] and stated that he, Mr. Wisner and [redacted] would like to discuss this whole problem with the Director. In connection with this project, the Director stated that he was still looking for someone to examine this and, in fact, all of our projects with a "jaundice eye" particularly from the viewpoint of the end product. NOTE: A tentative appointment has been made for Messrs. Dulles, Wisner and [redacted] to see the DCI at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, 7 March.

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Mr. Wisner:

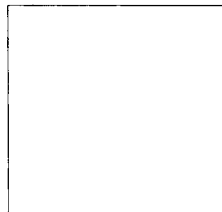


b. Noted the item in today's NEW YORK TIMES by Bill Lawrence on Greece and asked if we should "hit" this again. The Director stated that we should get Ambassador Peurifoy's views on this. *S-3-1252*
Amb. Peurifoy said no - DCI informed (per Mr. Hulick on 19 March 1952).



d. Noted that State had approved the comments prepared on the Gray report and that he expected Gen. Magruder's comments today. In this connection, it was noted that there was a possibility that Gen. Magruder might have to leave due to his health. The Director stated that if he did leave and his health permitted we would sign him up as a consultant.

Mr. Becker gave a report on the progress of the China Trade Paper.



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